Overview of kidney failure in Georgia

- **29,811** Georgians are living with kidney failure
- **22,415** Georgians are on dialysis
- **7,396** Georgians are living with a kidney transplant

**Leading Causes of Kidney Failure**

- **44%** of kidney failure cases caused by diabetes
- **29%** of kidney failure cases caused by high blood pressure

**New cases of kidney failure diagnosed in Georgia in 2021** (most recent data available)

- **5,073** received a kidney transplant
- **4,962** began dialysis

The total number of Georgians living with kidney failure has increased by **37%** since 2011.

Kidney transplants in Georgia

**2,559** Georgians are on the kidney transplant waiting list*

**837** transplants performed in Georgia in 2023, a **77% increase** from 2013

**170** living donor transplants performed in Georgia

**667** deceased donor transplants performed in Georgia

Compared to 2013, there was a **4% increase** in living donor kidney transplants

*As of April 21, 2024

Sources: U.S. Renal Data System 2023 Annual Data Report, Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
Health disparities in kidney failure

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Why people with kidney failure need financial assistance from AKF:

Kidney failure is a disability. Dialysis is life support. Treating kidney failure and its comorbidities is more consuming than a full-time job: more than 80% of people on dialysis cannot work.

- **3,916** Georgians on dialysis and living with transplants received grants from AKF in 2023 to pay for their insurance premiums and other health care-related costs not covered by insurance.
- **$12,351,256** in charitable assistance from AKF ensured that low-income Georgia dialysis and transplant patients could afford their lifesaving health care in 2023.

**INSURANCE BREAKDOWN OF AMERICANS WHO RECEIVED CHARITABLE PREMIUM ASSISTANCE FROM AKF IN 2023**

- Medicare Part B: 44.6%
- Medigap: 23.4%
- Employer group health plans (including COBRA): 17.2%
- Medicare Advantage: 1.4%